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## Nest-Building Fishes.

One of the most common of our British  
fishes, the tiny stickleback, has attracted con-  
siderable attention on account of its curious  
habit of building a nest—rivaling in intricacy  
the homes of our feathered friends—in which  
it deposits its eggs, and over which it keeps  
watch and guard till the tiny family are able  
to enter on the responsibilities of stickleback-  
life. Such precautions are unusual among the  
tiny tribes, whose eggs are generally left to  
chance, or, in some cases, adhere to friendly  
weeds till they hatch out, and the young ones  
face life in the world of waters, without a pa-  
rent's care to guide them. The lordly salmon  
makes an apology for a nest by scooping out a  
hole or "redd" in the gravel bed of the  
stream which it ascends for the purpose; but  
this, compared with the beautiful workman-  
ship of the stickleback, is as the rook's col-  
lection of sticks to the mossy ball prepared by  
Jenny Wren for her bairns.

The instances of nest-building fishes are rare,  
and it is among tropical species that the ma-  
jority of them occur. One of these—whose  
lovely colors have caused it to be christened  
the "rainbow fish"—has lately been introduced  
in limited numbers into Europe, where the  
fish has created quite a furor among the  
aquarium keepers, and where it excites addi-  
tional interest on account of its possessing the  
peculiarity of building a nest for the reception  
of the eggs. Probably the first person who has  
watched the whole of this operation was Mon-  
sieur Carboneur, a French naturalist, who  
lately gave an account of his observations be-  
fore the Paris Acclimatization Society.

As in the case of the stickleback, it is the  
male fish which performs the principal duties  
of nurse and cradle keeper; but the nest of the  
rainbow fish differs from that of the stickle-  
back in the fact that it floats on the surface of  
the water, whereas the latter is built among  
the reeds beneath. The approach of breeding-  
time is marked by the increasing beauty of  
color in the male fish, who dons his best robes  
in order to find favor in the eyes of his mate.  
His scales then assume all the varied tints of  
the rainbow, every movement causing them to  
scintillate with a metallic lustre and ever changing  
hue, now flashing forth with increased splendor,  
now dying away for a moment, only to reap-  
pear with greater variety and intensity of color.

But his time is not all given to courting. He  
enters on the duties of his prospective posi-  
tion with vigor, and his instinct amounting almost  
to sagacity, is thus exemplified in Monsieur  
Carboneur's narrative. The weeds growing in  
the aquarium in which some of his specimens  
were confined were of a kind which would not  
float. The fish tore off bits of the leaves in his  
mouth, and expelled them towards the surface;  
but their specific gravity was too great, and his  
efforts were unavailing. Monsieur Carboneur,  
with a quick perception of the fish's wants,  
replaced the plants with others of a finer texture,  
and then had the pleasure of seeing the fish  
renew its attempts with complete success.

But the fish was not contenting an architect  
to trust to the natural flotation of the building  
materials, and after placing a few pieces to-  
gether, in position, he formed several air  
bubbles in a viscid secretion, which he was able  
to eject from his mouth, and placed them in  
contact with his floating nest. Just, in fact,  
as engineers among ourselves have proposed to  
raise the Vaucluse bridge by means of immense air-  
bags, the rainbow fish, wiser than ourselves,  
formed his air bags and attached them to his  
ship as a precautionary measure, to prevent its  
sinking from natural instability, collision with  
pneumatic tubes, or other outward causes.

Day by day the work of knitting together  
the little morsels of weed progresses, till a  
floating domed island three inches in diameter  
is formed (the fish itself is not more than half  
that length); but this is, so to speak, only the  
foundation of the edifice, the roof being in re-  
ality constructed by another part.

Beneath this roof a complete circular nest is built,  
which the fish welds together with the greatest  
industry and patience; and not till it is com-  
plete does he seek his companion. All this  
time the female has kept aloof, neither assist-  
ing her companion nor encouraging him by her  
presence in the work of nidification. But now  
she is induced to visit the home of her future  
progeny, and the labors of the ex-emplary pa-  
rent are redoubled. When the minute eggs are  
laid, he collects them in his mouth, and places  
them carefully within the nest, while he con-  
tinually supports with fresh bubbles, lest the  
precious cargo should overweight it. When all  
is safe, he stations himself on guard before the  
only entrance to the nest, and awaits the course  
of events, ready to defend his handiwork  
against all comers, while his better-half sits  
altogether from the scene. In about three days  
the eggs begin to hatch out. The parent fish  
then destroys a number of the supporting air-  
bubbles, causing the nest to sink deeper into  
the water, so that none of the young ones may  
be "drowned" for want of water. As long as he  
can, he prevents them from ceasing from the  
paternal roof—the title is hardly appropriate,  
however, for neither father nor mother has in-  
habited the house; but their strength rapidly  
increases; and just as boys and girls leave  
home to better themselves, the young rainbow  
fish burst from the father's apron strings and  
—*Chamber's Journal.*

## Bargains!

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A fine, new and complete stock, comprising  
Suits of French,  
English  
and Scotch  
Cassimeres,  
Diagonals,  
Worsted,  
&c., &c., &c.,  
in great variety,  
at remarkably low prices.

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### SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR

For all Diseases of the Liver, Stomach and  
Spleen.

After Forty Years' trial it is  
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from persons of the highest char-  
acter and responsibility.

It is eminently a Family Medi-  
cine, and by being kept ready for  
immediate resort will save  
many an hour of suffering and  
many a dollar in time and

## DOCTORS' BILLS.

Your Regulator is one of the best family medi-  
cines I ever used. I have not spent one dollar  
for my family for medicine in five years, only  
for your Regulator, and must say it does all it  
says it will. You can also recommend it in  
Colic for Stock, it having cured a fine mule of  
mine worth five hundred dollars. —[J. A. Nelson,  
Macon, Ga.]

The Liver, the largest organ  
in the body, is generally the  
seat of the disease, and if not  
regulated in time great suffering,  
wretchedness and DEATH will  
ensue.

If you feel DULL, DROWSY,  
HEADACHE, have frequent  
Heartbeats, Mouth Tastes badly,  
poor Appetite and Tongue  
Coated, you are suffering from  
Torpid Liver or "Biliousness,"  
and nothing will cure you so  
speedily and permanently.

## Hon. Alexander H. Stephens.

"I occasionally use, when my condition re-  
quires it, Dr. Simmons' Liver Regulator, with  
good effect." —[Hon. Alex. H. Stephens.]

## Governor of Alabama.

"Your Regulator has been in use in my fami-  
ly for some time, and I am persuaded it is a  
valuable addition to the medical science." —  
[Gov. J. Gill Shorter, Ala.]

"I have used the Regulator in my family for  
the past seventeen years. I can safely recom-  
mend it to the world as the best medicine I have  
ever used for this class of diseases it purports to  
cure." —[H. F. Thigpen.]

## Baltimore Episcopal Methodist.

This medicine is acknowl-  
edged to have no equal as a  
valuable addition to the medical science. It  
contains the most Southern Roots and Herbs  
which an all-wise Providence  
has placed in countries where  
Liver Diseases most prevail.

## Lady's Endorsement.

"I have given your medicine a thorough trial,  
and in no case has it failed to give full satisfac-  
tion." —[Ellen Mascham, Chattanooga, Fla.]

"From actual experience in the use of this  
medicine in my practice I have been, and am,  
satisfied to use and prescribe it as a purgative  
medicine." —[Dr. J. W. Mason.]

## Florida M. E. Conference.

"I have used Dr. Simmons' Liver Regulator in  
my family for Dyspepsia and Sick Headache,  
and regard it an invaluable remedy. It has  
not failed to give relief in any instance." —[Rev.  
W. F. Esterling.]

"Simmons' Liver Regulator is certainly a  
specific for that class of complaints which it  
claims to cure." —[Rev. David Willis.]

## FISH!

I respectfully invite the attention of my  
friends and the public generally to my NEW  
STORES, Nos. 22 south Union street and No. 11  
south wharf, where I have on hand and am  
receiving daily a large supply of all kinds of  
FISH. Just received a line of MACKEREL  
and 200 bbls to arrive. I keep constantly on  
hand all kinds of POTOMAC HERRING and  
SHAD. LABRADOR HERRING EXTRA  
SHORE SPLIT HERRING, ROUND HERRING,  
SCOTCH HERRING in boxes, COD-  
FISH, &c.

I also have on hand a large supply of PICK-  
LES, in bbls, (1800) bbls (1200) 1/2 bbls and pails,  
for family use; also MIXED CHOW CHOW  
and GHERKINS, which I am prepared to sell  
at low figures.

SEASONABLE GOODS—Leadbeater's Dis-  
solving Mixture, Leadbeater's Essence Ja-  
cobs Ginger, Liebig's Liquid Extract of Beef,  
Liebig's and Valentine's Extract of Meat, Tar-  
rant's and Bodeimer's Seltzer Aperient, Genu-  
ine German Sponges, Pocket Stoves, Fly Pa-  
pers, Toilet Soap, Cigarettes, Carbolic Acid,  
Phosphoric Acid, and the prevention of  
plague, Tapicols, Liquid Rennet, Gelatine, Corn  
Starch, Hubbard's Prepared Wheat, Port Wine,  
Dropping Tubes, Hubbard's Sea Salt for bathing,  
Thermometers, &c., for sale by  
J. E. LEADBEATER & BRO.

LOOK! LOOK!  
CROQUET SETS.

I have this day received a full line of the  
above, with prices to suit the times, in wooden  
boxes, from \$1.25 to \$9 per set

C. C. BERRY, 72 King st.

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I have received my Spring supply of LAND-  
RETH'S GARDEN SEED at low figures. Call  
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HAMBURG EDGINGS—We have a large  
complete assortment of Hamburg Edgings  
and Insertings, to which we are constantly add-  
ing and offering at very low prices.

FERGUSON & BRO.,  
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ATTENTION, FAMILY TRADE.—The  
summer war is still raging, 25 bbls of am-  
munition just received. Supply yourselves now  
before it is too late. Samples and prices in show  
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Curls, Puffs, &c., at a very small expense, by  
experienced hands, at

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PITCH always on hand and for cheap by

B. F. PEAKE & CO.,  
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OILS FOR MACHINERY—Pure Sperm,  
Lard, Extra Machine and Lubricating Oil,  
suitable for farm and heavy machinery, all at  
the lowest rates.

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OUR FIFTY CENT TEAS—Japan, Imperi-  
al and Oolong—are decidedly better than  
any yet sold at that price. One trial will estab-  
lish their superior quality.

F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King st.

ENGLISH and AMERICAN GRASS and  
GRASS SYNTHESES, Stones, Rifles, Snaths,  
Rakes, &c., for sale, wholesale and retail, at 88  
King street.

J. T. OREIGHTON & SON.

FLOWER POTS! FLOWER POTS!  
Just received Flower Pots, all sizes; for sale  
low at

E. J. MILLER & CO'S,  
68 King street.

## CONFECTIONERY, &c.

A CARD—I hereby return my thanks to my  
friends and the generous public for the fa-  
vors they have conferred on me, and for the  
long and patient attention to business to re-  
ceive a continuation of the same.  
ICE CREAM, WATER ICES, and CUS-  
TARDS of all flavors, from half a gallon to any  
quantity, made and sent to all parts of the city.  
Gentlemen's rooms first floor; ladies' parlors  
second floor.

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H. BRENGLER'S

ICE CREAM PARLORS

KING STREET.

ARE NOW OPEN.

Ice Cream, Water Ices, Soda Water,  
Cakes, Pies, Fruit and Confectionery always on  
hand. Orders promptly attended to and fami-  
lies supplied.

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Prescriptions a specialty. English, French,  
German and Domestic Toilet Soaps; Genuine  
Parma Cologne; Magnolia, Hedyosmia, Gerani-  
um and Florida Water; Genuine Lubin's Ex-  
tracts; Sponges, Hair Brushes and Combs; best  
English Toilet Brushes; a full assortment of  
Patent Medicines; Cox's Gelatine; Corn  
Starch; Sea Moss Farine; Spices of all kinds,  
and a select stock of all articles sold by druggi-  
sts at prices as low as the same quality can be  
obtained elsewhere.

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DEALERS IN

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Physicians' Prescriptions Carefully

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Orders and inquiries from the country

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VARNISHES, GARDEN SEEDS,

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SUMMER GOODS

AT AND BELOW MARKET COST.

We offer this special inducement now to en-  
able us to take advantage of part of our season,  
and not wait till all are supplied. Our stock of  
Summer Dress Goods, Cassimeres, Worstedes,  
Linen, Gauze Shirts, Fans, Parasols, Victoria  
Lawn, Marseilles, Piques, &c., &c., is very  
large and well assorted, many of them pur-  
chased in the past few weeks at a great decline  
on what they were earlier. An examination will  
prove to all that we mean business.

Goods charged at these prices must be paid for  
promptly on presentation of bill.

Orders will be filled with care at the same  
prices as if purchased in person.

H. C. SLAYMAKER CO.

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GREAT DECLINE IN

DRESS GOODS.

We have just returned from New York with  
the cheapest line of Dress Goods we have ever  
opened, some of which sold at 35c earlier in the  
season, but which we now offer to our friends at  
25c. PLAIN BLACK GRENADES from  
10c up. We have marked those on hand to meet  
the decline.

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H. C. SLAYMAKER CO.

FOR EXCURSIONISTS—Wilson & Co's.

Cooked Compressed Beef in 2 lbs. tins, Bone-  
less Sardines of the finest quality. Potatoes, Beef,  
Ham, Turkey, &c., &c.; Ganta's Sicily  
Lemon Sugar, Lemon and Raspberry Syrup,  
English and American Pickles, Condensed  
Milk, Bay Lobster and Fresh Salmon. These  
goods we offer at low figures.

GEO. MCBURNEY & SON,  
166 and 170 King street.

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GRENADES.—We have just marked  
down our line of Grenades to prices that  
must make them go—many of them to less than  
half cost—64, 8, 10 and 12c up. The loss  
on these goods is great, but we desire to make  
prices that will be close to them to our friends  
this season. Black Grenades from 12c up; a large  
stock. Parasols marked down to closing prices.  
Chance for bargains.

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H. C. SLAYMAKER CO.

HEADQUARTERS FOR TABLE LUXU-  
RIES.

The largest and best assorted stock of Table  
Luxuries and Fancy Groceries in the city. The  
necessity no longer exists for our citizens visit-  
ing other cities for first class goods, as they can  
be supplied at home with every article desired  
and at lower prices than elsewhere.

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Strengthening Cordial, Volcanic Oil Liniment,  
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Universal White Cough and Croup Candy,  
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ling Globules and Catarrh Snuff. For sale both  
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100 bbls No. 1 Potomac Herring.

100 bbls Family Roe Herring.

25 bbls Shad.

Also Round Shore and Split Labrador Her-  
ring in store and for sale by

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N. E. cor. Cameron and Royal sts.

JANNED and PLAIN TIN WARE.

We have on hand a broken assortment of Ja-  
panned and Plain Tin Ware that we are anxious  
to close out without regard to cost at 88 King  
street, corner of Royal street.

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J. T. OREIGHTON & SON.

CHEAP CHILDREN'S CARRIAGES.

Just received this day a full line of the above,  
direct from the manufacturer, which will be  
sold at prices to suit the times. Call and ex-  
amine them at

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C. C. BERRY'S, 72 King st.

## DRY GOODS.

### NEW GOODS.

MONDAY, JUNE 19, 1876.

JUST OPENED.

A large line of Jacquets and Organdy Lawn,  
new styles; large assortment of Grass and Real  
Linen, very cheap; new quality of Ladies'  
Gauze Vests at 50c; Gents' Summer Shirts at  
37 1/2c up; Lace and Damask Stripes Pique, new  
styles; White Goods of every description.

### D. BENDHEIM,

NO. 112 KING STREET,

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Adjoining the Marshal House.

TO COUNTRY MERCHANTS—Special Re-  
duction in Staple Dry Goods—Monday,  
June 5th, 1876.—We offer to cash buyers and  
prompt thirty and sixty day dealers as great in-  
ducements, taking all things into consideration,  
as Baltimore can offer. We are constantly in  
the market for job lots of Staple Goods, suited  
to the wants of the country dealer, and take ad-  
vantage of the down prices regulated by the  
New York auction room. We quote prices of a  
few of the leading wares of the country mer-  
chant, viz: Laurel D 4-4 Cottons 8c; good 3-4  
Bro. Cotton 4 1/2 and 5c; good 3-4 Bleached Cot-  
ton 5 and 6c; extra good 4 1/2 Bro. Cottons 7 1/2  
and 8c; 10 1/4 Bleached and Bro. Cotton Sheet-  
ings at 25c; beautiful style Calicoes at 5c; extra  
good 6c; Black and Black and White Calicoes  
at 6c; Leather Belts 1 1/2 per doz; Suspender  
\$1.25 per doz; White Cotton Hose and Half  
Hose at 80 and 90c per pair; Men's Handker-  
chiefs 50c per doz; Ladies' L. C. Handker-  
chiefs, all Linen at 85c per doz; the home-made  
Wamsutta Shirt, price \$1; Green & Daniels'  
Spool Cotton at 36c; Clark's O. N. T. Spool  
Cotton at 67c. At the above named prices we  
duly competition in any market, and invite  
merchants to call and examine our stock, &c.  
Our goods at retail are especially attractive and  
inducements equally great to the consumer.

D. F. BRASHEAR,

H. B. Hoopes. No. 109 King street,  
Alexandria, Va.

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BARGAINS IN DRY GOODS.—We would  
invite attention to some great bargains se-  
cured by us since the recent important decline  
in Dry Goods, viz: 1st. A large line of stylish  
white goods, at 25c per cent less at retail than  
they were wholesale; particularly a line of  
Plaids, 25 inches wide, at 10 cents a yard;  
received this a. m.; handsome styles; plain to  
match. 2d. Black Goods. Bargains in Alpaca-  
s, Mohairs, Crepes and Tami; & especially in  
Grenades, beginning at 10c a yard. 3d. White  
Goods. An especial bargain in White  
Cambrics and Striped and Plaid Victorias. 4th.  
A job lot of Cassimeres, bought at a sacrifice by  
closing the lot. 5th. Gauze Shirts, from 50c  
up. This season we have very largely reduced  
our expenses, enabling us to sell goods cheaper  
than before. An examination of stock is  
solicited. We carry the largest stock of Dry  
Goods and Notions in the city.

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H. C. SLAYMAKER CO.

BY NEW YORK STEAMER THIS DAY.

A beautiful and carefully selected  
assortment of

THE NEWEST STYLES OF TAPESTRY

BRUSSELS CARPETS.

Also CHINA and COCOA MATTING, in all  
widths, at